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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

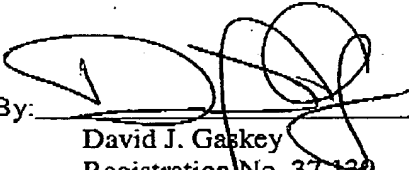
This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on April 7, 2005.

Applicant hereby elects the species of Figures 9 and 10, based upon the Examiner's identification of species. Claims 1, 3, 10, 12, 14, 15, 22 and 25 read upon that species.

Applicant believes that a two month extension of time is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds in the amount of \$225.00, as well as for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLSON, GASKEY & OLDS

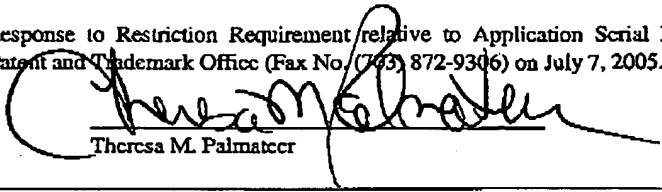
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I hereby certify that this Response to Restriction Requirement relative to Application Serial No. 10/731,245, is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office (Fax No. (703) 872-9306) on July 7, 2005.


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